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★ **CTB Banquet Friday night.** ★

The Post Dispatch

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Prison earns good report in federal audit

The Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility will again be eligible to receive incoming federal prisoners following a favorable audit report from the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

County Judges Giles W. Dalby said the recent five-day audit went "very well" and as a result, the facility can resume its intake of federal prisoners.

No new prisoners have been brought into the medium-security facility for several weeks following a late January disturbance. In fact, the prison population had been reduced to 150-160 inmates as a precautionary measure, Dalby said. Many of those removed had been "misclassified" by federal officials and were "gang members" that were not supposed to be housed in such a facility.

Following the favorable audit, the facility again has the green light to receive incoming prisoners. Forty additional prisoners are due this week, followed by another 40 next week, Dalby said. After that, the facility should receive about 80 prisoners each week until its 1,094-bed capacity is reached.

The unit's prisoner population stood at 264 as of Tuesday afternoon.

The audit highlighted in "a lot of minor things" that need to be addressed, Dalby said. Some of the items cited include the facility's practices regarding the storage of hazardous materials, employee training procedures and urine surveillance for drug testing.

"As far as security, though, it got real good marks," the county judge said. "They were really impressed with all the progress that's been made. There was no problem with safety and security."

Several of the facility's employees were singled out for commendations as a result of the audit procedure. Those cited, according to Dalby, included Charla Miller (personnel policy development), Joy Runnels (commissary operations), Sgt. Tanner (operation of the Segregation Housing Unit), the entire case management staff for its understanding of policies and procedures, Patsy Ramon (policy development and operations, medical services), and the warden and the executive staff for its handling of all "areas of concern" within the federally-prescribed 30-day time frame.

Hospital board denies payment related to deed research

by Wes Burnett

Payment of a \$125 statement from Lynn County Abstract was rejected by Garza County Hospital District board members during the regular meeting last Thursday evening. Board members Carol Tobias and Charles Propst raised questions about who authorized the expenditure.

No board member defended the expenditure. According to hospital administrator Gina Norman, the fee was incurred by the district's attorney Cal Huffaker in researching status of the hospital building deed.

"I don't think we ought to be paying bills for stuff we didn't authorize," Propst said. "Can just anyone go out and spend money without our okay?" Tobias added. Propst pointed out that a local citizen went to the courthouse and found the documents, at no cost to taxpayers.

Propst had entered a motion to pay the bills with the exception of the abstract company and the \$25,000 to Covenant Health Systems. After a brief discussion, board members Zoe Kirkpatrick and David Tyler voted against the motion, with Propst and Tobias voting in favor. Board president Mike Travis cast the tie vote against the motion.

Then a motion to approve paying bills with the exception of the abstract company was approved by Kirkpatrick, Tyler and Travis, with Tobias and Propst opposing the motion.

Following a presentation of the audit by Larry Anderson, Propst asked about getting a more detailed audit of the district, "more than just financial." Anderson said that he could conduct a compliance audit, but it would be more expensive.

Travis asked Anderson to explain what a compliance audit involved. "We basically audit the district for compliance with various laws, to see that your operations are following the law," the CPA replied.

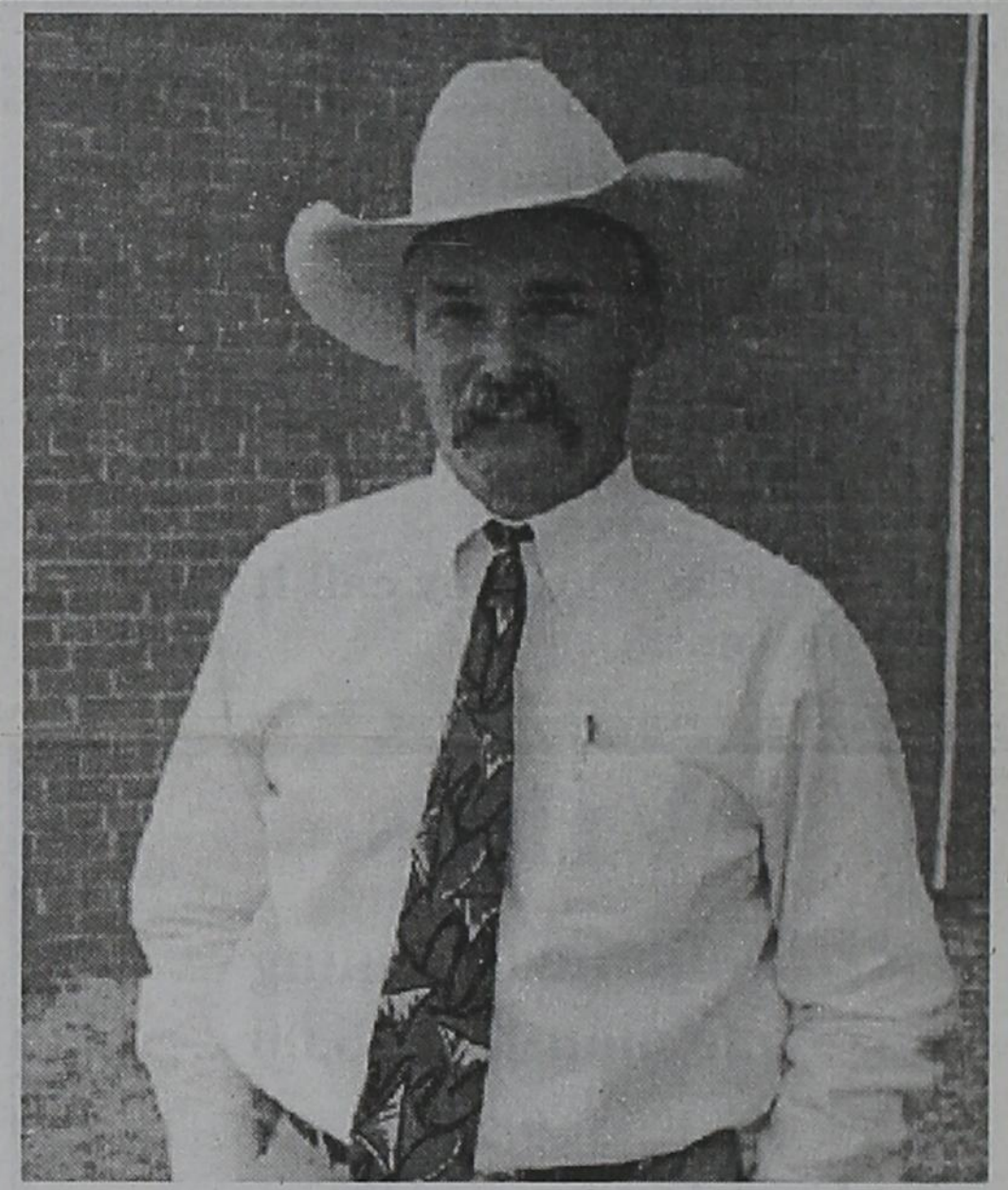
"I think that would be a good thing to do," Propst said. "We need to know if employees and the board are actually following the law."

"How would you handle a situation where you weren't sure about a particular law?" Travis asked. "Well, then we have to rely on a lawyer," Anderson said. "That could be expensive, but we could refer the questioned areas to the board, and you could decide whether or not pursue it."

No action was taken, but the board requested Anderson to submit an estimate as to the cost of conducting a compliance audit.

Norman reported to the board that there are currently 18 county citizens being served as indigents. She also informed the board that \$2,142.17 was spent on indigent care in February, with \$9,978.55 expended since the beginning of the fiscal year on October 1, 1999.

Travis announced the next board meeting will be on Tuesday, April 4.



Greg Jones was appointed as Garza County Extension Agent by the Commissioners' Court Monday. (See story on Page 2)

Commerce & Tourism banquet Friday features music, dinner and awards

by Wes Burnett

If you haven't gotten your tickets for Friday's Commerce & Tourism Bureau annual banquet, they're available at our office. The banquet features great music by the Ranch Danch Fiddle Band and a scrumptious sirloin steak dinner catered by Babb's BBQ. All for only \$15 per person.

The event, which begins will be held at 7 p.m. in the community center, will also include awards for Citizen of the Year and Business of the Year. A silent auction, with gifts donated by Post merchants, is also a popular attraction.

Tickets may be purchased at The Post Dispatch, the Bureau's office or any director: Judy Bush, Brady Sanders, Marie Neff, JoAnn Stelzer, Gladys Blair, Jim Plummer, Patty Kirkpatrick and Mike Babb.

Theme for the banquet will be "West Texas Roots." Newly elected officers will be introduced.

The annual banquet will be a fitting tribute to our community, which got a big splash of publicity in last Sunday's Fort Worth Star Telegram.

See you there ... bring your cameras!

Wind storm, dust, fires plague county

Strong, gusty winds caused problems throughout the South Plains Tuesday, and Garza County was no exception.

At mid-day Tuesday, a dry line moving through the area produced high winds that carried a heavy blanket of red dust through the air, severely limiting visibility at times.

At about 1:30 p.m., the winds helped fan a grass fire at the Price-Thompson Ranch in the northern part of the county. Local firefighters and the emergency response team responded to the fire, according to sheriff's department reports. County Judge Giles W. Dalby sent out maintainers and a water truck to assist in firefighting efforts.

Although an exact figure as to the number of acres affected by the blaze was unavailable, it was reported that the fire crossed the Crosby County line. Crosby County firefighters responded, and Strawn Transportation assisted with water trucks.

The fire was extinguished at about 3 p.m.

At about 2:18 p.m., sheriff's department dispatchers received a call about arcing power lines at the top of the cap on U.S. 84 north. SPS crews were notified and investigated the report. According to their report, the lines were "barely hanging on."

At 7:35 p.m., a pickup rollover occurred near the intersection of Hwy. 380 and CR 115. No injuries were reported, according to sheriff's department reports, but the accident was attributed to high winds in the area.

Less than an hour later, at 8:10 p.m., a pickup traveling about three miles south of the city on U.S. 84 hit a wooden directional sign that blew out in front of the vehicle, according to sheriff's department reports.

Taba'na Yuan'e event set March 22

The traditional Taba'na Yuan'e ceremony will be conducted Wednesday, March 22, in the Post City Park. Guests should arrive by 6 a.m. in order to observe the performance, which ends with sunrise.

The ceremony, a careful observance of an ancient Plains Indian spring ritual, begins with the lighting of the fire and constructing of the circle of council. It is held annually on March 22, with visitors and local residents gathering around a circular ceremonial ring to watch a dancer, clad in traditional beaded buckskins and feathered headdress, perform an Indian version of an extended weather forecast.

Taba'na Yuan'e translates to "sunrise wind."

The Plains Indians used the dance to check the wind direction at the exact moment of sunrise, which would determine the success of the coming year. According to legend, the wind must be checked at sunrise on the day after the sun reaches the halfway point in its journey from the south to the north.

The Taba'na Yuan'e tradition, which dates to earliest memories of the Plains Indians, began in Post in 1907 when early Garza County pioneers recalled the legend told by the Indians. Garza County farmers and ranchers have relied on the Taba'na Yuan'e for more than 90 years to provide a hint as to the success of the coming year.

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Post Notes

- Arts a La Carte March 17**
The Caprock Cultural Association is hosting "Arts a La Carte," a buffet supper fund-raising event Friday, March 17 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Reservations for the \$7 per plate event may be made by calling 495-4148 or 629-4246.
- Garza water district seeks candidates**
Garza County Underground & Fresh Water Conservation District (U&FWCD) will hold an election for board of directors and is seeking candidates for Precincts 1 and 3. Incumbents are Ferrel Wheeler (Pct 1) and Lester Josey (Pct 3). Deadline for filing is March 22. Contact the office at 495-4425 for more information.
- Little League coaches' meeting**
A meeting of Little League coaches will be held March 23 at Norwest Bank community room at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in managing or coaching a team or helping in any way should plan on attending this meeting.
- Church collects books for Head Start**
The First United Methodist Church and Post High School National Honor Society members are collecting easy-to-read books for the Head Start reading program. If you would like to donate any beginner books or have further questions, contact Amy Easterling or Pixie Grisham. The book drive continues through the month of March. Books may be delivered to the church office or at 123 N. Avenue K.
- Magic of Sebastian Tickets**
The Post Lions Club has started soliciting help from area businesses for its annual fund raising event, "Magic of Sebastian." The magic program will be presented May 6. Tickets purchased by businesses are distributed to children to attend the magic show.
- "Boeing Boeing" at Garza Theatre**
The Garza Theatre opens a nine performance run of "Boeing Boeing" March 17 and continues on weekends through April 2. The play is directed by Rick Fay and features Jeff Conner, Jeremy Danial, Anna Wilson, Valerie Burelsmith, Tracy Polk and Mickie Klafka. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations.
- Baseball game live on Post City Radio**
Post City Radio will broadcast Post Antelope baseball games live, beginning Saturday from Frenship. The time of the game will be announced on Post City Radio, Classic Cable Channel 17.



Mr and Mrs Wayne McKim

Nelson, McKim wed in Feb. 9 ceremony

Alisha Jane Nelson and Wayne L. McKim were united in marriage on Feb. 9, 2000, in Cozumel, Mexico, with Judge Bernard Alfonso officiating. The bride is the daughter of Dan and Meg Nelson of Post and the granddaughter of Weldon and Maritta Reed of Justiceburg, George Nelson of Post and Wanda Gibson of Cameron Park, Calif. The groom is the son of Ken and Neva McKim of Goodman, Missouri. The bride's dress was a candlelight two-piece Austalein design by Maggie Sottero, featuring a chiffon chapel-length skirt and an off-the-shoulder corseted top accented with candlelight pearls. The bride is a 1997 graduate of Post High School and attended Angelo State University in San Angelo. She will attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock in the summer. The groom is a 1990 graduate of Sonora High School and a 1994 graduate of Sul Ross University. He attends Texas Tech and is employed by Garza County. The couple plans to reside in Post.

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County reaches goal in Adopt-a-Quad campaign

In less than three months, Garza County has raised \$10,000 for Women's Protective Services' Adopt-a-Quad campaign.

Garza County is the first of the 12 counties served by WPS to complete its \$10,000 goal, according to agency officials.

Funds raised will pay for furniture, appliances, a telephone system, security system and housewares for one quadruplex unit.

In recognition of the county's contributions, a permanent plaque featuring Garza County will be placed on the quadruplex, and another plaque inside will feature the names of donors who contributed a minimum of \$100.

Anyone interested in making a contribution may do so by sending a check by Women's Protective Services with a 'Garza County AAQ' notation.

"WPS thanks Nelda Dalby, who graciously chaired the fund raising effort, the committee who worked on the campaign (Debbie Macy, Linda McLaughlin and others) and everyone who donated to the Garza County quadruplex," stated a March 2 news release from WPS.

The fund raising campaign kicked off Nov. 18 with a reception sponsored by Citizens Bank at the Hotel Garza in Post.

Area businesses, organizations, churches and individuals helped meet the campaign's fund raising goal. Everyone who contributes a minimum of \$100 to the Adopt-a-Quad campaign will be invited to a "peanut party" in May where their name will be entered into a drawing for Southwest Airlines tickets.

In May of 1999, WPS completed construction of a 45,000-square-foot shelter complex containing six quadruplexes. Twelve units are three-bedroom/two-bath units and the remaining units are two-bedroom/two-bath. The resource

center houses staff and volunteers, providing programs, services and counseling for women and children.

According to Kelley Pitts, development director for WPS, the capital campaign raised more than \$1.6 million to construct the resource center and six quadruplex buildings. However, another \$150,000 is needed to cover the cost of furnishing the units at a cost of about \$10,000 per unit. Only nine of the 24 units have been adopted to date.

Quad adopters to date include Garza County, Bill and Donna Tilley (in honor of their mothers), South Plains Volunteer Services, South Plains Foundation, AMBUCS, Debbie and Robert Macy, George and Joe Love Nelson, an anonymous couple from Lubbock and WPSBingo.

"WPS hopes all 11 counties in our service area outside of Lubbock County will sponsor one quadruplex unit each, and Lubbock will sponsor the remaining 13 of the total of 24 units," said Pitts. "We're proud of Garza County for being the first county to achieve their goal in the Adopt-a-Quad campaign, and hope the remaining counties will soon follow their outstanding example."

A woman is battered every 9 seconds in the United States. Uniform Crime Reports for 1998 reported 44 family violence calls in Garza County, and 19 of these victims received services from WPS in 1998 and 24 in 1999.

For Garza County and surrounding counties, WPS provides a 24-hour crisis hotline, emergency transportation, food, clothing, shelter and medical attention, individual and group counseling, employment and housing referrals, legal advocacy, counseling for children, support from other women who share similar experiences and parenting programs.

For more information on the Adopt-a-Quad program, contact Pitts at 748-5292.

Greg Jones named new extension agent

A 39-year-old Floydada native was appointed to the position of Garza County extension agent during Monday morning's meeting of the county commissioners court.

Greg Jones, who currently serves as the Hockley County extension agent, will assume the local position April 3.

Jones' experience includes more than two years in Hockley County and stints as the county agent in Crosby County, Martin County and Willacy County. He also served as the assistant agent in Cameron County.

A 1982 graduate of Texas Tech University, Jones holds a bachelor's degree in agricultural education and

Jones and his wife, Channa, have three children — a 14-year-old son, Coby; 5-year-old daughter, Skylar; and 3-year-old son, Pake.

He earned a master's degree in agricultural education in 1983. Prior to attending Tech, he was a student at Clarendon Junior College, Clarendon, and West Texas State University, Canyon. His collegiate activities included collegiate 4-H assistant advisor; collegiate FFA; Phi Delta Theta fraternity; NIRA Collegiate Rodeo Team; intramural; West Texas State football; Sportsman's Club; and assistant director, Bible study.

He is a 1979 graduate of Floydada High School.

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Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



One more weekend gone! You know, time just soars by anymore. I don't know if age really has anything to do with it. I know my mom has always told me, "just wait till you reach 50, time will fly" Well like a lot of other things, she is right. I no more get straight on the dates for one month till a new one starts. I guess the only thing that makes me feel better is that its the same with lots of other folks too.

Speaking of 50?

I got quite a cute email from Janet Justice today. It didn't take her long to let me know that the story in last weeks "Yesteryears", 50 years ago, about her Mom's layette shower certainly did not mean her, but sister Nedra who will be 50 in June.

Now Janet assures me that she will not be 50 for many, many years! But whats that old saying about he that protest to loudly?

Just kidding Janet!

59 (again?)

Tuesday Glen Norman celebrated his birthday and says that it is number 59. Now Glen, I am not going to argue with you about this, we all have our hang ups, so happy 59 again! Hope you had a great day!!

Chamber Banquet

I want to encourage everyone to come out to the Commerce and Tourism Banquet Friday night. The food and entertainment will be wonderful and we have much to be proud of. I'm sure all of you have heard about or have seen the article in The Fort Worth Star Telegram. It was so nice to see Post recognized like that. Please plan to attend, I'll see you there.

Patience is the ability to idle your motor when you feel like stripping your gears.

Nice Trip!

Mr. Roy Williams of Canadian, Texas celebrated his 70th birthday Saturday, March 4th with lots of family and friends in attendance.

The party was held in the barn of Mr. and Mrs. Bo Rankin of Canadian, with a catered Mexican meal, a DJ and dance enjoyed by all.

Those attending were: Curtis and Tommie Williams, Charles and Ruby Williams, Robbie and Marta Williams and children, Billy and Wilma Williams, Kurt and Cynthia Williams and Danica, Mary Jo Evans, W.O. Fluit, Jerry and Wanda Osburn and Nolan Williams all of Post.

James and Barbara Williams, their daughter and son-in-law, Ashley and Brad Long and children all of Wellington, Amy and Paul Estes and children of Hollis, Oklahoma, Ronnie Williams and family and Tony Williams and family all of Van Alstyne.

For every minute you are angry with someone, you lose 60 seconds of happiness that you can never get back.

Birthdays this Week

Friday, March 10: To my good new friend, Sam Edwards!, Jill Stelzer, Rheba Propst, Mario Lopez, Kristen Ellison: Saturday, March 11: Anniversary, Larry and Barbara Paul: Sunday, March 12, Becca Stelzer, Tye Haney, Adeliad Bachecko, Alejanaro Rosaies, Wallace Johnson, Richard Curtis and Leslie Looney: Anniversary, Roger and Kathy Hair: Monday, March 13: Cain Abraham, Brad McDonald: Tuesday, March 14: Kyle Kirkpatrick, Cliff Walter, Jeff Lott, Dillard Morris and David Dean; Anniversary, Raul and Rosa Salazar: Wednesday, March 15, Anniversary, Robert and Julie Wilson: Thursday, March 16, My brother, Jack Ballentine, Paul Criswell, Carl Bowles, Bruce Ledbetter, Alexa Collier and Jodi Gregory; anniversary, Richard and Bertha Fuentes.

Missed one for March 7th, Alicia Martin Graves.

Get Well

I want to send a get well out to Willie McBride who is feeling under the weather and has been in the hospital for some tests. Hope you are feeling much better really soon Willie. I love ya!

Beautiful young people are accidents of nature, but beautiful old people are works of art.

A Big Happy "80" to Pansy

My good friend Pansy Smith, celebrated her 80th birthday Sunday with a party at the Citizens Bank party room hosted by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Most special guest was Pansy's 91 year old sister, Lela Christopher of Lubbock, followed by a big surprise from her nieces Peggy Cookman of Anaheim, California and Claudette Martin of Ft. Bronck, Indiana. Peggy and Claudette flew in for the party telling no one, so Pansy was not the only one to be surprised.

Friends and family attended from Hereford, Dimmitt, Dickens, Spur, Lubbock and Post.

Pansy's children who hosted are; Carolyn and Kenneth McClanahan and Johnny and Vivian Metsgar all of Lubbock, also Ronnie and Tricia Metsgar of Post.

Everyone had a wonderful time and I'm sure Pansy won't forget it for a long time.

Learn from the mistakes of others, you will never live long enough to make them all yourself!

Till Next Week

Hope you all have a great week end. Please one more time, remember the Commerce and Tourism Banquet. May God bless each of you. See you next week.

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Dirt Trackers Parade, Car Show set Mar. 18

Women's Protective Services of Lubbock will join the I-27 Dirt Trackers in presenting the Parade and Car Show March 18 with a parade beginning at 11 a.m., followed by a car show.

The parade will begin at 2001 N. University and finish at the Midnight Rodeo parking lot, 7301 S. University, for the car show.

The purpose of the two events is to promote the upcoming Benefit Demolition Derby March 31 from 7-10:30 p.m. at the I-27 Speedworld (formerly West Texas Speedway), located on I-27 and 1585.

Advance tickets for the derby and embroidered WPS/I-27 Speedworld

caps will be sold at the car show. Derby tickets will cost \$6 for adults and \$2 for children 10-13. Admission will be free for children under the age of 10.

To participate in the parade, drivers must register and pay a \$10 entry fee.

Proceeds from derby ticket sales will go to Women's Protective Services. The mission of WPS is to create an environment of empowerment for women, children and families and to eliminate family violence.

For more information on the events or to purchase tickets, call Kelley at 748-5292.

Lunch Menus

Trail Blazer

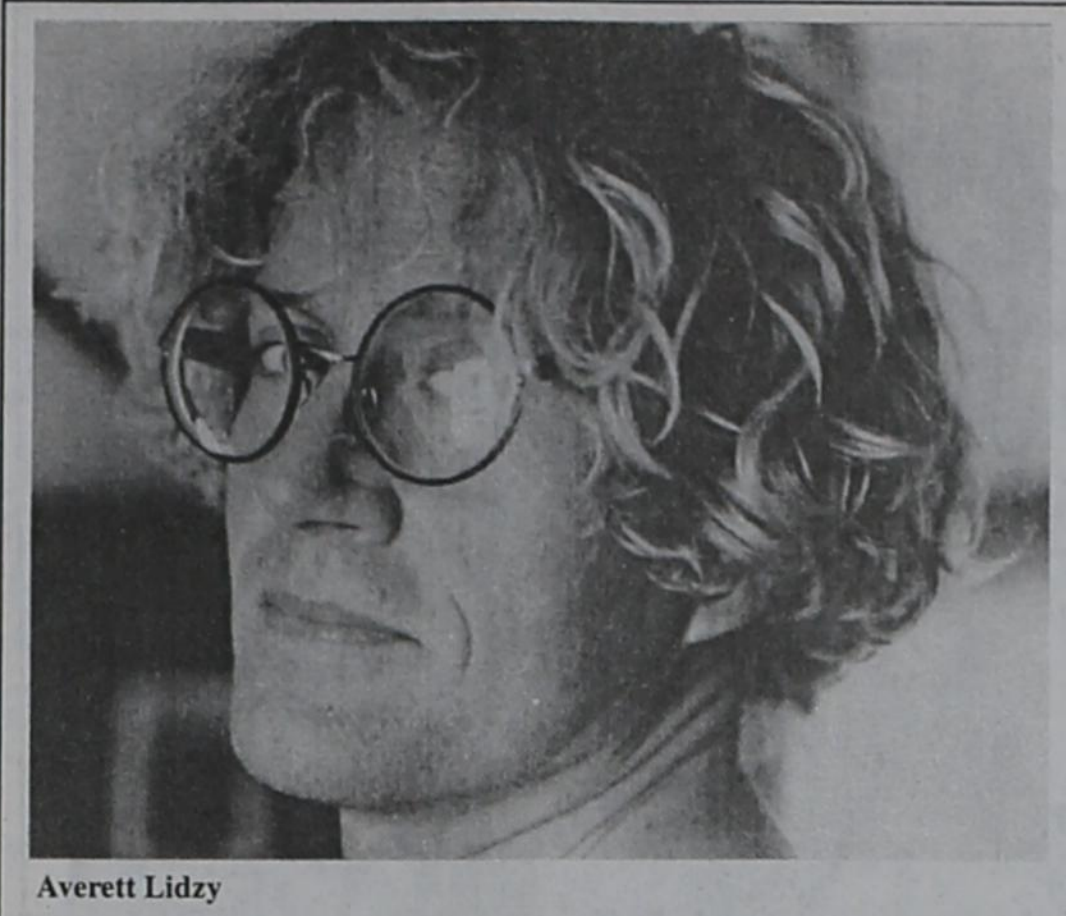
Monday, March 13, 2000
Spaghetti, zucchini, cucumber/ onion, garlic bread and apple crisp.
Tuesday, March 14, 2000
Brisket, potatoe salad, turnip greens, cornbread and lemon cake.
Wednesday, March 15, 2000
Baked ham, navy beans, carrot/ zucchini salad, cornbread and pineapple cake.
Thursday, March 16, 2000
Oven fry chicken, corn, turnip greens, cornbread and fruity jello.
Friday, March 17, 2000
Turkey and dressing, green beans, salad, hot roll, green apple cobbler.

Post ISD

Monday, March 13, 2000
Breakfast:
Lunch: Spring break
Tuesday, March 14, 2000
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Thursday, March 16, 2000
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Lunch: Spring break
Friday, March 17, 2000
Breakfast:
Lunch: Spring break

Southland ISD

Monday, March 13, 2000
Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, juice and milk.
Lunch: Chicken fried steak, cream potatoes, gravy, green peas, rolls, jello and milk.
Tuesday, March 14, 2000
Breakfast: Pop tarts, fruit and milk.
Lunch: Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce/tomato, chips, cookie and milk.
Wednesday, March 15, 2000
Breakfast:
Lunch: Spring break
Thursday, March 16, 2000
Breakfast:
Lunch: Spring break
Friday, March 17, 2000
Breakfast:
Lunch: Spring break



Averett Lidzy

Averett Lidzy opens art exhibit here

Artist, Averett Lidzy, is exhibiting several paintings at the Algerita Arts Center in Post, Texas. The gallery will be open to the public on Sunday afternoons and for special events held at the arts center. All are invited to come to view the works and submit any opinions they might have.

This art exhibition will be open from March 6th through April 15th, 2000. Averett was born in what is now the Godbold Cultural Center in Lubbock, Texas. When he was attending elementary school he took summer art studies under Juanita Pollard; who then was an art professor at Texas Tech.

During the intervening years, before going to Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas, he traveled each summer around northern New Mexico. There the galleries of Taos and Santa Fe occupied much of his time and thoughts. Later on, at Trinity University, he formally studied art under Robert Tiemann (painter), Bill Evett (sculptor), and Bill Bristow (chairman of the art dept.).

In 1970, at Trinity University, he had his first one-person art exhibition; it consisted of paintings, drawings, photos, and sculpture. The current exhibit in Post, Texas portrays the colors, textures, and forms related to the bioregion off the Caprock of the Llano Estacado.

Those primitive, prehistoric environments of feelings which permeate the landscapes beyond the confines of modern civilization. It is those feelings being explored before the advent of modern society; a society which tends to compress, restrict, and make digital our conscious existence.

These art-mind-images seek out to convey our lost ancestry, the collective unconscious. Poetic life forms arising from the depths of our ancient past.

Carl Jung, a world renown psychologist, published a work some years ago titled: Man and his Symbols. Thematically, the point he wanted to make dwelt upon the importance of humanity's great collective unconsciousness. That is was, and is, the most powerful set of driving forces to our conscious daily selves.

And therefore, it behooves each and every one of us to the take the time to understand these processes. Presently, the artist maintains an art studio at the Godbold Cultural Center.

Those individuals interested in discussing art and the related issues, or to see more of his art works are invited to contact him by phone at 744-2120 or by email at alidzy@door.net.

United Methodist Women Begin Matthew

Tuesday, February 29, ladies of the United Methodist Church gathered at Patty Kirkpatrick's home to begin a study of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, "Who Do You Say That I Am?"

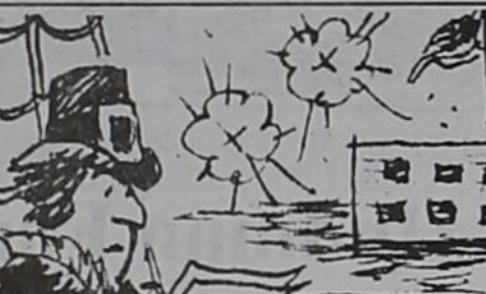
"Her stories" were invited by the experienced story tellers and authors, Nancy Carter and Leontine Kelly. A spirited discussion followed.

Present were Patty, Linda Couch, Annie Laura Francis, Katherine Johnson, Patsy Bilbo, Jane Odom, Jana McCallister, Marion Wheatley, Carolyn Black, Susie Shytle, Zoe Kirkpatrick, MaryLynn Bell, JoAnn Miller, Mary Edwards and Ada Lou Bird.

Next meeting will be March 28, with Carolyn Black as hostess, linda and MaryLynn facilitating the study.



Seaman Apprentice David M. McCalister has just completed basic training with the U.S. Coast Guard at Cape May, N.J. he enlisted in the Coast Guard in December 1999. McCalister's next duty assignment will be at Petaluma, Calif. for electronic technician school. He is the son of Todd and Darlene Prueitt of Post.



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Dylan Davis, son of David and Kelly Davis of Post, won first place in trampoline and third place in tumbling at the Regional II National Qualifier Gymnastics Meet. The event was held March 4 in Snyder at the Scurry County Coliseum.



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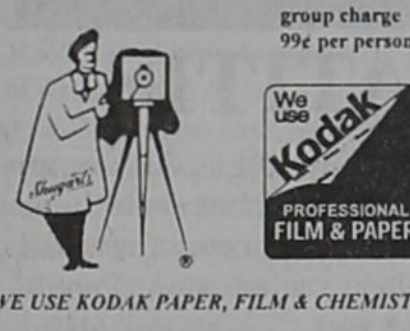
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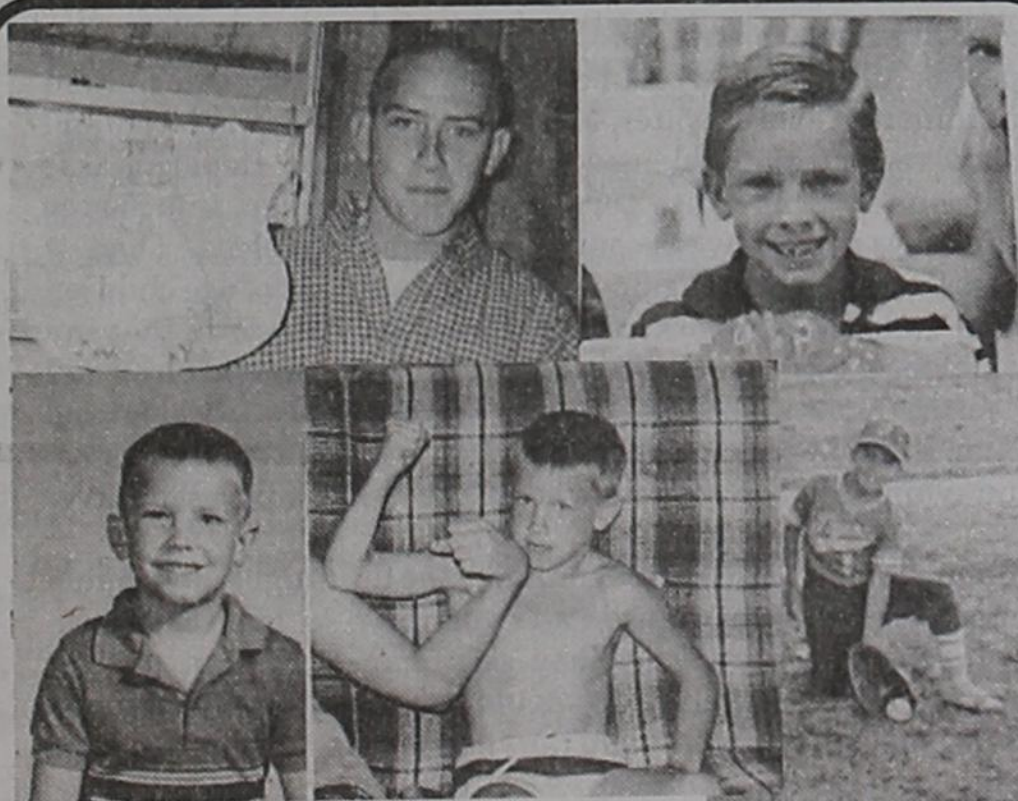
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Check beneficiary designations on company and individual retirement plans. Have they kept up with family changes or personal preferences?

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Southland ISD names honor roll students

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Elementary School A&B Honor Roll

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Elementary School A Honor Roll

Alex Abraham, Samantha Armendariz, Devin Blanton, Luke Buckner, Amanda Flores, Tanner Hill, Haylee McDaniel, Colton Schoonover, Anthony Bernal, Jacie Cloud, Bianca Abraham, Lauren Arguello, Monica Blea, Ashley Edwards, Johan Wall.



Post Elementary School fifth grade students participating in last Friday's "Story Hour" enjoyed the classic "Trojan Horse" story, read to the students by Post Dispatch publisher Wesley W. Burnett. The story hour is part of the Parent Workshop program.



Mr and Mrs Cecil Tidwell (center) celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary recently with family members at the Golden Plains Care Center.

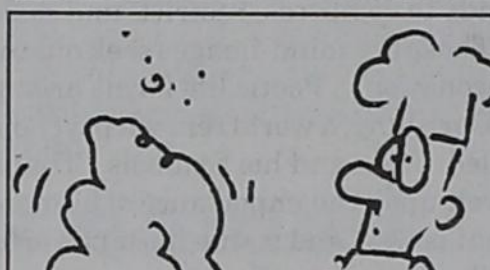


Ella Mae Jones and Ione Hughes at Golden Plains Care Center.



Ivy Young at Golden Plains Care Center.

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The 4-H Rifle Project will begin Monday, March 13 at 7 p.m. at the show barn. Youth 9-19 may register by calling 495-4400. Participants must attend the first safety session and a parent must attend to sign release forms.

4-H Livestock Judging

Any youth interested in participating in the Livestock Judging competition need to call 495-4400 to sign up. The first two practice sessions scheduled are March 21 and 28, 4-6 p.m. at the Extension Office. Newly hired Extension Agent Greg Jones will be here to work with the youth.

Lost and Found

Items found after the recent stock show include three keys, a hair clip and a glass baking dish. These may be picked up at the Extension Office. Also, lost is the Extension Office door mat which blew away Tuesday evening, please return if found. Thanks!

Sheriff reports 11 arrests

Eleven individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail during the past week, according to sheriff's department records.

Those arrested included, on March 1, a 40-year-old male, possession of marijuana/under two ounces (released on the same day, \$1,500 bail bond) and a 38-year-old female, possession of marijuana/under two ounces (released on the same day, \$1,500 PR bond), and on March 2, a 31-year-old male, driving while license suspended warrant (released after time served, fine paid).

Five arrests were made on March 3, including that of a 36-year-old male for possession of marijuana/under two ounces (released on the same day in \$1,500 bail bond); a 30-year-old male, possession of marijuana/under two ounces and possession of paraphernalia (released the next day on \$1,500 bail bond and fine paid); an 18-year-old male on a Lubbock County theft warrant (released the next day on \$750 bail bond); a 38-year-old male, public intoxication (released the next day after fine paid); and a 42-year-old male, warrant.

A 31-year-old female was picked up March 4 for simple assault/Class C misdemeanor (released after fine paid and time served).

A 39-year-old female was arrested March 6 for theft under \$50 (released the same day, fine paid, continuance), as was a 33-year-old female, revocation (bond denied).

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ABCs of HEPATITIS

There are three main types of hepatitis, A, B and C. All are an inflammation of the liver, usually caused by a virus, but sometimes caused by medications, contaminated food and water or contaminated blood, either through IV drug abuse or blood transfusion. People with multiple sexual partners are also at risk. There are about 300,000 cases diagnosed every year. Also Hepatitis C, is the main cause for liver transplants.

Hepatitis A is the most common form and is mainly transmitted by contaminated food or water. Most people recover completely and there is a vaccine available now for at risk people. Hepatitis B is more serious and can cause permanent liver damage. Infection is almost always caused by exposure to contaminated blood. There is a highly effective vaccine against Hep B, that all school age children should get and those others at risk. Hepatitis C is a form that can cause lifelong problems. Usual exposure is contaminated blood and other forms hepatitis. Other causes include body piercing and tattooing. It is thought that about 4 million people have Hep C. Most have no symptoms and are not aware of the risk of progressive liver disease.

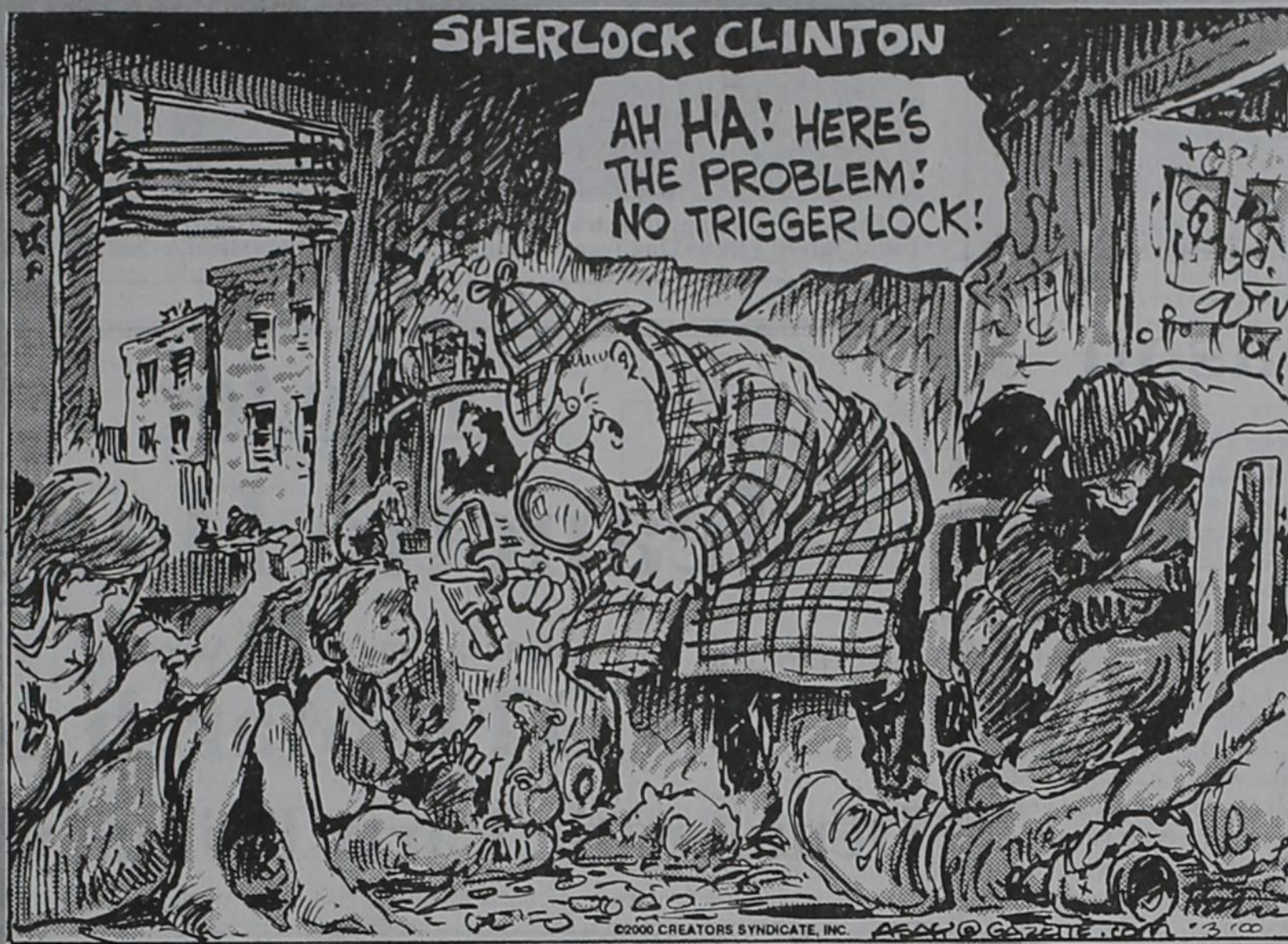
Symptoms of Hepatitis can be similar to the flu; fatigue, abdominal pain, decrease appetite, nausea and vomiting. In addition, dark-colored urine and jaundice (yellow skin) can be a sign of liver problems related to hepatitis. It should be remembered that many people do not have symptoms and the virus is found during a routine blood test.

Most people recover from Hepatitis A & B with no special treatment. People with Hep C may need medication, although not everyone can take the medication. Lifestyle changes are absolutely necessary; these include no alcohol or use of medications that could damage your liver

People that should be tested for HepC include those who have had tattoos or body piercing, transfusions before 1992, used illicit drugs, exposed to the blood of someone with Hepatitis. If you have questions about your individual risk, check with your medical provider.

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Opinions



What to do about intrusive government

by Wes Burnett

Last week there was a lot of talk around town about the McDonald's Corp. reaction to a city ordinance on historic preservation. Many comments came from citizens upset that the city council might stand in the way of progress by making unreasonable demands.

Truth is, this zoning ordinance has been on the books for 15 years or more, the result of efforts in the early 1980s to secure the designation of "Main Street City" for Post.

That designation, along with the strings that are attached, inspired a number of Main Street building owners to refurbish store fronts. It also provided funding from the Texas Department of Transportation for the attractive island down the middle of East and West Main Street.

A big portion of the funding for this beautification project came from government ... which, anyone with any sense realizes, always comes with strings attached. "He who pays the fiddler, calls the tune," is certainly as true today as it was whenever that saying originated eons ago.

As readers of this newspaper surely realize, we are strong advocates for individual rights, including the right of property ownership. Therefore, we stand in opposition to the power of government to dictate to any property owner how that property should look or what should be done with it.

The only time government should meddle in property ownership is when an aggrieved property owner convinces a jury that the actions of some other property owner has caused some kind of damage. Then and only then, should government interfere in the rights of property ownership.

Instead of the city council constantly reacting to "variance requests" to ordinances, we continue to urge the elimination of all ordinances regulating behavior or property.

One of the foundations of liberty and a free people is the right to own and use property, as was so eloquently stated by Thomas Jefferson in the American Declaration of Independence. Having been the victim of government regulation of property, those who founded the American republic meant to keep government out of their private and economic lives.

Unfortunately, national socialism and corporate government has all but replaced the freedom and liberty which our ancestors created for us. So, now in the name of getting money from government to subsidize privately owned businesses, we force the abdication of property rights on everyone, even those who do not seek government handouts.

That's what this flap over McDonald's is all about. The owner (or would-be owner) of the property has a set of privately developed ideas for the property, which may or may not fit with government standards imposed on property owners.

And because of this potential conflict, the rightful owner of the property may be denied the basic right of property ownership ... that is, to develop the property as the owner sees fit.

We stand for the right of the property owner, and reject the notion that government knows better than the individual owner of property. In America, the land of the free and home of the brave, it is not the role of government to dictate use of private property.

It's time for property owners to demand their rights be secure from intrusion by government. Otherwise, all property owners will be at the mercy of government. Individual rights will never be maintained by government, they must be maintained by a watchful, demanding individual.

Which shall it be... liberty or slavery? There can be no in between, either government controls individuals, or individuals control government.

Government schools: a deadly experiment

by Vin Suprynowicz

It isn't really about race. It hardly suffices for the "multiculturalists" that the children of successful black judges and businessmen now go peacefully to school with wealthy white kids. Nor did they ever much care that the main victims of their racial quotas (at least here in the West) turned out to be not white Americans, but rather deserving Asians, whose forebears were an oppressed minority.

No, the goal of the "multiculturalist" movement — a goal so dominant that even basic literacy is happily sacrificed — is to infiltrate the American middle class with the offspring of the liberals' "new plantation," the fatherless welfare homes of our crime-infested inner cities.

The result? A 6-year-old boy — passed from hand to hand since his father was jailed for a home invasion and finally living in a fatherless crack house full of drugs, stolen guns, and other loot — shot a first-grade classmate to death in Michigan last week.

Such crimes occur only in the mandatory government schools. In private schools — where admission is selective and voluntary, and kids who stab each other with pencils are expelled — such horrors are virtually unknown. Nor do we see home-schoolers committing such crimes (though the statist never tire of warning us home-schooled children will not be "properly socialized!")

This tiny killer is not some innocent who picked up an unfamiliar object and brought it to "show-and-tell." While on parole in December, his father, Dedic Owens, asked the child why he had committed violent offenses that led to his earlier suspensions from school.

According to Genesee County Sheriff Robert Picknell, "He said that the kid told him he did it because 'I hate them.'"

Gee, where could the kid have copped that attitude, in a society where whites who victimize blacks because of their skin color receive "hate crime sentence enhancements," while racism is hardly ever mentioned in the prosecution of black murderers who declare, "You're all white trash, racist pigs." (Guest quote courtesy of one Ronald Taylor, charged in Wilkinsburg, Pa., in the shooting deaths of three white males — two others critically wounded — after he apparently grew upset that white workmen worked too slowly repairing his broken door.)

In the real world, tens of thousands more parents of children now interned in these squalid government camps — operated more and more on the model of penal institutions, complete with body searches and metal detectors — will now quietly move their kids into private schools, or finally resolve to homeschool their children, regardless of the financial sacrifice required.

But since it's politically incorrect, don't expect to hear about this swelling tide on TV.

Instead, the national whining will be the usual, "Whatever can we do to rid ourselves of these dreaded guns?"

The standard lie is that guns are more readily available and accepted these days. In fact, child gunshot deaths have been dropping for decades, and our nation is currently seized in a paroxysm of paranoia about these tools of freedom.

Guns make a handy voodoo doll in which our statist media can stick their pins, in preference to focusing on the real problem: the fact that fruitcake bureaucrats now control our children's lives from ages 6 to 18.

There, our children are rounded up, bored to tears, and increasingly treated like dangerous inmates until they end up acting like dangerous inmates.

Take, for example, the reason I found myself talking to Robert Deiro this week. He called to explain how his son, Guy Robert Deiro, who now runs the family auction business (and who just finished a two-year stint as president of the Boys and Girls Club of Henderson) decided to do a good deed recently, hiring a 17-year-old kid from a fatherless Las Vegas home to work as a runner — driving contracts around town — in his after-school hours, at \$9 per hour.

Because he hired the lad 28 days prior to his 17th birthday, the younger Mr. Deiro relates, the state Labor Department fined him \$2,800 and threatened to add penalties of 6 percent per day for any additional days he employed the young man, unless the lad took a mandated \$3,000 commercial driving course.

"I had to let him go," Guy Robert Deiro explains. "He can't afford \$3,000 to go to some dumb driving school. In addition to the \$9 an hour, I was paying his car insurance, plus 21 cents a mile. I thought I was doing the kid a favor — frying hamburgers and french fries is more dangerous than this job, and it was a way for him to learn the business, work his way up. It's absolutely absurd. It's big government getting in the way of people trying to hire kids and show 'em a work ethic."

Yet let some such lad eventually turn to a life of crime as the only option left him by our meddling government masters, and what will we hear?

"How could this have happened? It must be the guns."

Vin Suprynowicz is assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. His book, "Send in the Waco Killers: Essays on the Freedom Movement, 1993-1998," is available at \$24.95 postpaid by dialing 1-800-244-2224; or via web site <http://www.thespirtof76.com/wacokillers.html>. Volume discounts available.

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Liberty is already here, or has it passed?

by S. Schantz

Name one thing you can do without getting some form of permission first, or having to pay a fee beforehand. You need permission to exercise a right. Rights have now become a privilege.

How and when did that happen?

It is now impossible to live a normal life of any kind without committing some criminal act. Most laws you will break you don't even know about. Today you have no chance or even the possibility to know all the laws, never mind trying to read them in your lifetime.

If you could understand the legal language in the first place. Today the impossibility of living within all the laws, makes all of us criminals. Now all government has to do is pick which person it wants to get rid of, then get him for breaking some unknown law.

Our so called servants have given themselves immunity, under which they can kill and plunder the people they are suppose to work for, and can do so at their pleasure. The most "heinous" crimes today are defined as crimes against the State.

Most have no victims, but are more severely punished than crimes with victims. Our Police, which we hire as our protectors, are often more interested in protecting themselves and their jobs, than the people they are hired to protect.

They willingly enforce laws which they know, or should know, are unconstitutional; not to mention that it also violates the Oath they took to Protect and Defend the Constitution.

Today more innocent people are killed by police, than are police killed on duty, even with traffic accidents taken into account. We have crimes committed by police and covered up by police. Where are the good police?

The silence from the good ones is deafening. We do not give State funerals for the killed innocents, but let one police officer get killed, or die of natural causes they get a State funeral whether or not they died as a hero.

Everyone claims it is a dangerous job to be a cop, but in reality it is one of the safest professions. We make it a worse crime to kill a Cop than it is for a Cop to kill a Citizen. Our Police today are showing a willingness to carry out any order, from any authority, as long as they can claim they are doing their duty.

Or they are just doing their job or it's the Law. Nuremberg is forgotten. So are the pleas the defendants cried, they were just following orders, or it was German law and they were just carrying out the law at the time.

Is it happening again, in this prosperous country?

Is it only the uniforms that have changed?

Has the State become all-powerful, where we are nothing more than subjects once again?

Our courts operate the same way Nazi Germany's courts did. They rule on the law, not whether the law is constitutional. In fact the lower courts will not even address a constitutional question. The juries are not taught that they have the right to outlaw the law.

The Supreme Law of the land is the last to be followed, and the most difficult to be addressed in any court, when it should be the first, and the easiest. After all, the constitution is the supreme law of the land, which all other laws must comply with the spirit and word of it, as written, including the amendments.

The burden is now on the citizens to prove a law unconstitutional and that takes more time and money than most have, making it an impossibility for most. Our judges cannot judge with their conscience but must sentence according to some law, which may have nothing to do with the case in front of them, and take no account of the circumstances involved.

So our good judges have their hands tied and cannot fairly judge anymore because of the constraints imposed. Our judges, good and bad, refuse to speak up against unjust, or unconstitutional laws. As with the cops, their jobs are more important than their oaths.

Our jury system has been under attack for many years. What is left of it is to give verdicts that just rubber stamp an unelected administrative ruling, not on the question, did the person break a law?

Not judged is whether the law should apply, or even if the law is just. And heaven help the juror who dares to bring up the subject of whether the law is constitutional! Lawyers have taken control of the country as politicians and as bureaucrats in charge of government agencies.

Laws are not even read by the elected people before being passed into law! Lawyers control government, and most big corporations work hand in hand with them against the people they supposedly serve. They are now the new ruling class.

Politicians are now career politicians, where the whole family becomes a de facto new royalty, with one succeeding the other to power and riches far beyond what they could earn in wages.

Politicians spend millions to get elected to positions that pay far less. They still retire as millionaires. Most never honestly earn that much money, even if they had saved every penny they were paid.

Government habitually lies to the people, and the people know this. But most don't care. When a new election comes, people will not clean out these known crooks. The politicians play the fear game, "the other is worse." We vote for the lesser of two evils, again. And then we expect them to do the "right" thing.

When asked why they continue to vote for someone they don't want, instead of a third party or "dark horse" in the main party, which they do admire, they answer the other person can't win.

So the cowardly voter, who votes for the lesser of the two evils, guarantees the continuance of evil, leaving no hope for a peaceful change. Then we have the voter who votes for what's in it for himself, or for those who promise him goodies from the public pocket.

Neither of these two types of voters deserve to live in a free country, as they take no responsibility in regaining or maintaining freedom. Do we even know what a free country really means anymore?

I fear most think freedom is comfort. Are we a nation of comfortable slaves unwilling to change, until some who still understand the true meaning of freedom are once again willing to die for us?

The only question is, when will the Resistance diehards start again?

The writer is from Chehalis, Washington, <http://www.lewisnews.com/>

Running Lady 'Lopes take first at Roscoe track meet

The Post High School varsity Lady Lopes track team earned a first place finish out of a 25-team field at the Roscoe Track Meet held March 4.

In the 400m relay, the team of Dianna Williams, Manuela Hernandez, Yvonne Lopez and Meagan Mills finished in first place.

In the 100m hurdles, Dianna Williams took first, followed by teammates Kelly Moore, third

place, and Kenda Looney, sixth place.

In the 800m relay, the team of Meagan Mills, Kyzandre Harper, Kenda Looney and Yvonne Lopez earned a fourth place finish.

David Gregory took sixth place in the 400m competition, while Kelly Moore finished second in the 300m hurdles. Manuela Hernandez took first in the 200m, while DeeDee Jarrett was fifth in the 1600m.

Meagan Mills, Manuela Hernandez, Dianna Williams and Kelly Moore teamed up for a fifth place finish in the 1600m relay.

DeeDee Jarrett took fourth place in the mile.

LaRinda Ledbetter logged a second place finish in discus and Manuela Hernandez was second in the triple jump. Dianna Williams finished sixth in the high jump.

The team's next meet is March 11 in Snyder.



Post Antelopes earning All-District Basketball honors are (left to right) Billy Crawford (1st Team), Michael Huff (1st Team), Jarrett Vickers (2nd Team), Justin Gorman (Honorable Mention) and Clinton Curtis (Honorable Mention).

'Lopes open baseball season

The Post Antelopes lost their first baseball game of the season 20-6 to the 3A Lubbock Cooper Pirates in a tournament game played in Lubbock March 6.

"It was our first game of the season against a good 3A team," said the coach. "Cooper is the defending district champion. We are very young and experienced, but did some good things."

Cooper jumped out to an early lead with a 5-0 first inning. The Pirates were shut out in the second inning, but Post managed only a single score. The third inning yielded more offense, with the Lopes scoring five and the Pirates scoring seven,

but Cooper roared back in the fourth inning with an additional nine runs.

The Lopes hit .318 as a team with three homeruns. Bryan Looney was 2 for 3 with one homerun, John Eilenberger was 1 for 3 with a homerun and Michael Huff was 2 for 3 with a homerun and two RBIs.

In the second game of the Cooper Tournament, the Lopes lost to New Deal 10-1.

Looney started his first high school game and pitched well, giving up only four hits. Roland Castaneda and Michael Huff also pitched.

Rocky Gomez went 2 for 4 and Luis Zubia went 2 for 3 and had a triple and the only run scored.

The Antelopes' third game proved more successful, with Post coming out on top by a score of 9-8 over defending district champ Abernathy.

"It was a big win for the Lopes," the coach said. "Both teams looked bad through the game with Post having 12 errors and Abernathy having eight."

The Lopes came back in the last two innings, scoring three runs in each. The game-winning single came off of Looney's bat to score Cody Fox who had driven in the tying run with a single. Fox also drove in a run an inning earlier with a sacrifice fly.

Gomez was winning pitcher in the game.

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7th, 8th grade boys show strong practice meet

Post Middle School seventh and eighth grade boys fared well at a practice track meet held recently at Seagraves.

No points were kept and no team champion was named, but school officials reported the teams represented themselves well and turned in "good efforts all around."

Seventh grade participants included:

- 2400 meters — Colton Valdez, Andrew Espinosa, Chris Thurman.
- 400 meter relay — Eric Gonzales, Quinton Odom, Cody Marts, Jett Lott.
- 800 meter — James Soto, Edgar Saucedo, Zachary Lopez.
- 110 hurdles — Jerrad Grisham, Eric Pedersen, Eric Gonzales.
- 100 meters — Jett Lott, Quinton Odom, Martin Garcia.
- 400 meters — Trent McDonald, Jordan Tatum, Brady Wuensche.
- 300 meter hurdles — Martin Garcia, Josh Hair, Jerrad Grisham.
- 200 meters — Jett Lott, Martin Garcia, Ryan Babb.
- 1600 meters — Jesse Soto, Zachary Lopez, Andrew Espinosa.
- 1600 meter relay — Martin Garcia, Cody Marts, Quinton Odom, Eric Gonzales.
- Discus — Teodoro Paiz, Dawan Hill, Steve Rivera.
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- High jump — Eric Pedersen, Jerrad Grisham, Jett Lott.
- Pole vault — Ryan Babb, Trent McDonald, Joshua Hair.

Eighth grade participants were:

- 2400 meters — Ricky Reyna.
- 800 meters — Kyle Gunn.
- 400 meter relay — Langly Couch, Zane Marts, Mitchell Mills, Josh Cross.
- 110 meter hurdles — Jerry Crutis, Francisco Duran.
- 100 meter dash — Zane Marts, Langly Couch, Owen Gilbert.
- 400 meter dash — Mark McCallister, Mitchell Holly.
- 300 meter hurdles — Jerry Curtis, Francisco Duran, Jay Cooper.
- 200 meter — Josh Cross, Mitchell Mills, Kris Hernandez.
- 1600 meter — Ricky Reyna.
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- Triple jump — Mitchell Mills, Francisco Duran, Jay Cooper.
- High jump — Jerry Curtis, Josh Cross, Zane Marts.



Post Lady Lope basketball coach Ron Taylor (back), District 3-AA Coach of the Year, joins Lady Lope All-District team members (left to right) Meagan Mills, Erin Gregory, Yvonne Lopez, Kelly Moore, Kenda Looney, Emily Smith, Manuela Hernandez and Davida Gregory. The team proudly displays the District Championship trophy.

Antelope golfers win first at Idalou

The PHS varsity boys' golf team placed first at the Idalou tournament last week. Marcus Lopez took first place, with Justin Norman finishing in second place.

Other team members competing included Justin Gorman, Jarrett Vickers and John Radle.



'Lopes place sixth at Roscoe track meet

The Post High School Antelopes finished in sixth place at the Roscoe Track Meet held March 4.

Twenty-six teams competed in the meet. Event results for the varsity 'Lopes included Jamie Collazo, 400m, 54.71, fifth place; Lance Curtis, 200m, 23.67, second place; and C.J. Sims, J. Collazo, B. Bell and L. Curtis, 1600m relay, 3:38:52, third place.

Also, Billy Crawford, shot put, 50'6", first place; Crawford, discus, 122', third place; and Matt McCallister, 400m, 53.23, third place. Junior varsity results included Seth Redman, discus, 98 feet, sixth place, and Luis Zubia, 300m hurdles, 48:36, fifth place.

There are only two forces that unite men—fear and interest.

Human felicity is produced not so much by great pieces of good fortune that seldom happen, as by little advantages that occur every day.

—Benjamin Franklin

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed, however, names may be withheld from publication by request. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation.

Different colors make a difference

As I read last week's Post Dispatch about McDonald's might not come to Post because of the building codes, it made me wonder about this Main Street project. If it goes so far as to stand in the way of 30 or 40 more jobs, we ought not to be so picky.

What about the taxes we have to pay? Wouldn't this McDonald's bring in more tax money? We need to look for ways to beautify without turning away good employers, so our children don't have to drive to Lubbock or Snyder for work.

There's something wrong with this picture if a new business decides not to come here because of the color of the building.

Olean Morris

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Vera Seals

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"White flowering dogwoods will add year-round beauty to your home and neighborhood," said John Rosenow, the foundation's president. "Dogwoods have showy spring flowers, scarlet autumn foliage and red berries which attract songbirds all winter."

"Planting these trees will be a great way for families to commemorate the beginning of the millennium."

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instruction. The 6- to 12-

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Members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the foundation's monthly publication, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

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Personals

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Post Group of Alcoholics Anonymous
Meets every Thursday night at the First Presbyterian Church, 901 West 10th at 8 p.m. Closed meetings are held except on the last Thursday of the month, which is an open meeting. Door opens at 7 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. cake and coffee following the meeting. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-4393.

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300' from the south line and 440' from the west line of lease
2,450.49' from the north line and 440' from the west line of survey
Fields rules for the Arlene (San Andres), fields are 440/1000, 40 acres.
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 3,300 feet.
Pursuant To The Terms of Rule 37(h) (2) (A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative Tom Obenchain, Production Analyst, at 214-692-7052. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6899.
If you wish to request a hearing on this application, an intent to appear in protest must be received in the Railroad Commission's Austin Office by March 24, 2000 at 5:00 p.m. If no protest is received within such time, the requested permit may be granted administratively.

Request for Proposals

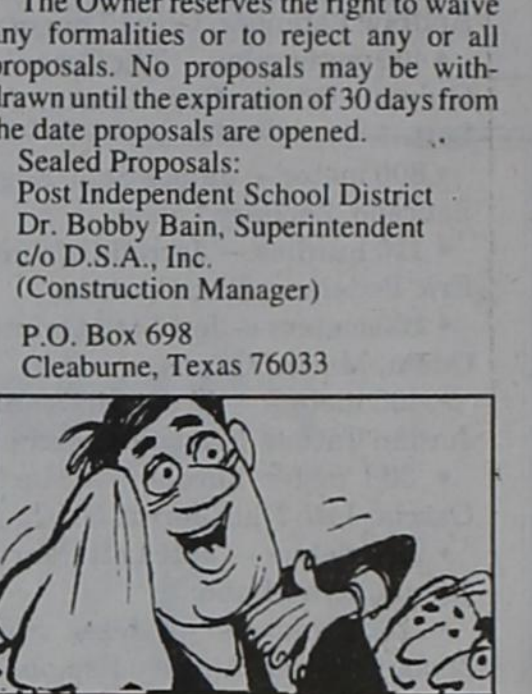
Sealed proposals, addressed to Dr. Bobby Bain, Superintendent, Post Independent School District, P.O. Box 70, Post, Texas 79356 are being received for separate trade proposals for a new Gymnasium. Proposals will be received in the office of the Construction Manager until 5:00 p.m., April 3, 2000. Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on April 4, 2000.

at the office of the Post I.S.D. Superintendent at which time the proposals will be opened and read publicly in the Post I.S.D. Board Room at Post, Texas. All proposals mailed prior to this date and all inquiries should be to the Construction Manager. Construction is scheduled to begin in Spring of 2000 and be completed in summer of 2001.

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Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

March 14, 1990 10 Years Ago

Funeral services were held Monday, March 12, 1990 for (William) Lonnie Welborn Jr., who died early Saturday morning, March 10 at his home in Post.

Welborn was born July 18, 1937 in Laurel, Miss. and moved to Post with his father, mother and sister in 1948. He was a 1955 graduate of Post High School and had worked at the Lubbock Avalanche Journal before returning to Post. He had served as editor of The Post Dispatch since September 1987.

Lucy Callis observed her ninety-fifth birthday, March 1st and was greatly surprised when family members began to arrive Thursday afternoon.

The First National Bank Community Room was the setting of the Golden Anniversary of Hoyt and Lena Bland. The event took place on Sunday, January 28, 1990 from 2 to 4 p.m.

The couple was married January 28, 1940 in Brownfield, Texas.

We saw Kathy Hubble with her mother, Nell Morris, walking down the street Tuesday morning. It really was good to see Kathy out and about since her accident.

Shelia and Ryan Marchbanks, of Eagle River, Alaska, are visiting in the home of Jean and Richard Westfall.

They were to have been here to visit at Christmas but because of a volcano eruption planes were grounded.

Shelia and Ryan are the daughter-in-law and granddaughter of Jean and Richard.

March 13, 1980 20 Years Ago

Walter and Gwendolyn Boren celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary December 22. A reception was held for them at the Post Community Center, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

It was a "once in a lifetime" occurrence at Ray Hodges place, 12 miles north of Post on the Ralls road Friday night.

One of Ray's mares foaled twin colts.

Mrs. L. W. Gandy was honored on her 83rd birthday, Sunday.

Pack 314 of the Post Cub Scouts held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet Feb. 25 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church.

Cubmaster, Curtis Hudman presided over the awards ceremony and presented the Cubs their individual awards and a 50th patch for their uniforms.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Thomas announce the birth of a son, Travis Wayne, born March 11, at 10:55 a.m. and weighing 6 lbs. 13 ozs. He was born in an Odessa hospital.

Birthdays today are:

Dorothy Kuykendall
Mrs. Harold Lucas
Mrs. R. D. Young
R. H. Tate
Mrs. Lewis Nance
Mrs. E. R. Moreland
Glorie Gee
Jill Norman
Jerry Conoly
Curt Greer

March 12, 1970 30 Years Ago

The Post schools will open their first kindergarten class next September, as required by a new Texas law, but it is liable to be several years before the new kindergarten program includes most of the local five-year-olds.

Weekend visitors in the Percy Printz home were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McMillin and son of Big Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Don Henderson and daughter of Odessa. Monday visitors were her sister-in-law, Mrs. Bertie Harp of Lamesa and her daughters, Mrs. Audine Sinclair of Lamesa and Mrs. Corrine O'Brian of Palmdale, Calif.

The "most perfect" weekend rains in a number of years spread three or more inches of moisture over Garza County's farmland and pastures from Friday through Sunday.

Official measurement here was a 3.12 inch total.

This included 1.70 inches Friday, 1.02 Saturday, and .40 more recorded Sunday.

Susie Proctor of Coahoma, a cousin of Mickey Gribble, was a weekend guest in the H. C. Gribble home.

Hoolie and Laverne McCleskey were dinner guests in the Leonard Gribble home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jurd Young enjoyed a fish fry at Toby's Drive-In Restaurant one night last week. Erwin and Lynne Thomas, Toby's family and four other couples made up the party.

William and Ruth Young were Sunday dinner guests of the Jurd Youngs.

"My Model T Days" was the roll call topic for the regular Tuesday night meeting of Amity Study Club in the home of Mrs. Thurman Francis with Mrs. C. H. Hartel as co-hostess.

March 10, 1960 40 Years Ago

Mrs. Mary Lee Wristen of the Post Junior High School faculty was elected treasurer of the Texas State Teachers Association, District 13, at the annual convention in Lubbock last week.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Hays were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shaver, of Plain Dealing, La.

Four prehistoric skeletons have been dug up from a multiple burial site on the banks of McDonald Creek by members of the Garza chapter of the South Plains Archaeological Society.

Frank Runkles, camp ranger at C. W. Post Boy Scout Camp and president of the South Plains Archaeological Society, calls it one of the most important archaeological finds ever made in Garza County.

The skeletons, which may be anywhere from 1,000 to 3,000 years old, are those of a young woman and three children from two to five years of age.

Thursday night, the members of the National Honor Society of Post High School went to Lubbock for a skating party.

A lot of skating talent was revealed, especially by our sponsor, Mr. Tittle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald DeLeon of Haskell visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Polk.

Guests of Miss Kate Lowrie during the weekend were her niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. McClendon and Mike of Plainview.

Scottie Pierce, one of the starters on this season's district champion Post Antelope basketball team, received honorable mention on the all-state class AA team selected by sports writers.

March 16, 1950 50 Years Ago

Dick Homer and family arrived here Sunday from Corsicana to make their home. Mrs. Homer has been here for some time. The Homers are temporarily living with Mrs. J. O. Hays.

Paul Duren, jr. and Melvin King visited in the Duren home recently enroute to Carlsbad, N. M., from Perryton.

David Schultz who has been in Lamesa with the Rayflex company, has been transferred to the main office in Dallas.

Walter Caffey, Jim Williams, Allen Lucas, Carson James, Chester McCampbell and Shorty Hagood left Sunday to spend several days fishing in Sugar Lake in Mexico.

James C. Anthony, gunner's mate, third class, USN, of Post, visited two continents during February while serving as a crew member aboard the light cruiser USS Roanoke.

Mrs. R. W. Babb and Camell and Bessie Pitts visited Sunday afternoon in Meadow with Truett Babb.

Mrs. George Tillman has as her guest this week her niece, Grada Jane Kahlic, as Grada Jane's mother is ill in a Lubbock hospital.

The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD

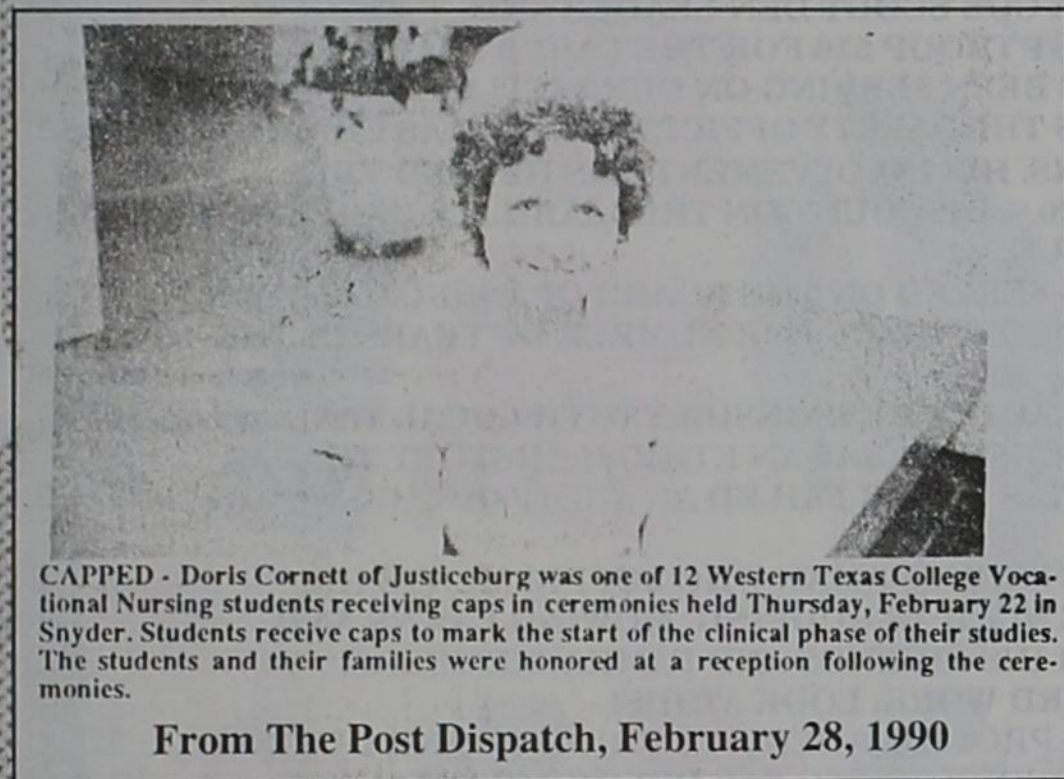
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ACROSS

- TXism: "as hen's teeth"
- TXism: "beats anything I saw"
- TX Willie's 1st benefit: Farm
- TX Swayze film: "Red"
- TXism: "give rest!" (shut up)
- disorderly crowd
- TXism: "all over but the shouting"
- TX Nolan Ryan had clause in last Ranger contract
- Fiesta Texas: "Rattler": roller coaster
- TXism: "fast as lightning"
- this Tubb was the "Texas Troubadour"
- take away the six-shooter
- in Peace
- TXism for pond
- TXism: "call" (quit)
- Denton's Ann Sheridan was the "Gill"
- Texas Crossword clue expression
- TXism: "too big for"
- TX cattle baron
- Aquarena Springs: the Diving Pig
- estate inheritor
- can do
- "truth" so. of the border
- this Lanham was 22nd gov. of TX (init.)
- this TX Charlie was Nub Oliver on "Evening Shade"
- a Texan ski destination
- west TX climate
- Ripley's "Believe Not"
- TXism: "shoots eye bullets" (good shot)
- Kristin was mistress (she shot him, too)
- Grand Opry
- TXism: "red" (liquor)
- actor Drake of "Son of Belle Starr"
- this Barbara was TX Hagman's "Jeannie"
- UT has the of Edgar Allan Poe
- "Norma"
- Redskins' Norv who was Cowboy coach (init.)
- boll, TX
- world communication co. (abbr.)
- instrument of TX Ornette Coleman
- TXism: "limp as rag"
- no. Waco suburb
- skin eruptions
- TX Trini's "If Hammer"
- cavalry swords
- a Marx brother
- TX Martha Hyer film: "The Sons of Katie"
- "spic'n"
- TX Nolan (init.)
- computer internal storage (abbr.)
- TXism: "long in the tooth"
- Jerry Jones and Jimmy Johnson?
- TX Tanya's "Can You Tonight?"
- TXism: "got knocked down a peg two"
- retired Cowboy receiver? (init.)
- JFK's boat 109
- Bissinger wrote "Friday Night Lights" about TX football

DOWN

- TXism: "you're (thinking alike)"
- one description of TX Howard Hughes in Bowie Co. on 67
- a pen name for TX Sandra Brown: St. Claire
- transit in Dallas or Houston
- film for Dallas-born Robby Benson
- TX Farrah film: "The Burning"
- female sheep
- no. Waco suburb



CAPPED - Doris Cornett of Justiceburg was one of 12 Western Texas College Vocational Nursing students receiving caps in ceremonies held Thursday, February 22 in Snyder. Students receive caps to mark the start of the clinical phase of their studies. The students and their families were honored at a reception following the ceremonies.

From The Post Dispatch, February 28, 1990



PTA PUPPY AND FRIENDS - The Post PTA Puppy is shown with friends, l to r, Mara Jones, Jamie Pewitt and Lance Blanc as he visited the Post Primary Schools on Valentine Day. The visiting Puppy handed out Valentines and presented each teacher in the Primary building with one personally.

From The Post Dispatch, February 28, 1980

Mr and Mrs R.L. Cummings golden wedding event



MR. AND MRS. R. L. CUMMINGS (Photo courtesy Casteel Studios)

Mr. Cummings and his wife, the former Miss Lillie Belle Pennington, were married March 6, 1910, in Gatesville and have lived in Garza County since 1927.

From The Post Dispatch March 10, 1960

Search on for World's Greatest Granny

Everyone thinks their own grandma is special, but only one can earn the title 'World's Greatest Granny.'

The Washington Apple Commission announced the beginning of its annual Search for Granny Smith, a nationwide hunt to find the perfect grandmother to promote the state's famous green fruit.

"We're looking for on-the-go grannies," said Kristen Malott, search coordinator for the commission. "Someone who personifies the healthful attributes of our apples."

- Malott said a successful candidate should meet the following guidelines:
- Be sweet to the core and have good moral fiber.
 - Be hand-picked by children, grandchildren, spouse or friends.
 - Have beauty that's more than skin-deep, and just the right amount of maturity.
 - Have "a-peel."

Anyone in the U.S. or Canada interested in nominating a grandmother should write, in 100 words or less, why the nominee should be considered and enclose a non-returnable photo. Nominations should be sent to Granny Smith, P.O. Box 18, Wenatchee, WA 98807. Entries should be received no later than April 7.

Last year's winner was 55-year-old Melba Cope of Lincoln, Neb., an avid community volunteer, fitness enthusiast and grandmother of two. Cope was selected from thousands of entries to be the official "spokesgranny" for Washington's apple growers.

"I've had an unbelievable year," Cope said. "I've traveled all over the United States, making TV and public appearances, and I've met so many wonderful people. It's an experience I'll never forget."

Twenty grandmothers and a companion for each of them will be chosen to participate in the "Granny Finale" held in May at the Washington State Apple Blossom Festival in Wenatchee.

The winner will be featured on grocery store posters and will make promotional appearances in the upcoming year.

"We have another crop of high quality Granny Smiths this year, so we need an even bigger crop of granny nominees," said Malott. "The search has really turned into something special. We give people a chance to tell us why grandmothers are a special part of their lives."

"From the past nominations we've received, it seems many modern grannies have traded in their rocking chairs for tennis shoes."



The Dallas Cowboys have played in the Super Bowl more times than any other team. In their eight appearances, the Cowboys have won five times and lost three.

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PROCLAMATION - County Judge E.A. Howard recently signed a proclamation naming the month of March as "March for Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse and Addiction" month. On hand for the signing were Glenda Baker and Lynette Massey from the City-County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Program.

From The Post Dispatch, February 28, 1990

Re-Elect Lee Norman

County Commissioner Pct. 1
Garza County
Democratic Primary
Tuesday, March 14, 2000

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ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS!

EXPERIENCE

- AN EXPERIENCED ADMINISTRATOR THAT HAS DIRECTED A SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH A RECORD OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT THAT IS UNEQUALLED IN COUNTY HISTORY.
- 18 YEARS OF TRUE EXPERIENCE.
- 15 YEARS OF LOCAL SERVICE AND DEDICATED LAW ENFORCEMENT.
- 8 YEARS AS AN EXTREMELY HARD WORKING SHERIFF WHO HAS ADMINISTRATED THE MOST CONTROVERSIAL OFFICE IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT.
- 3 YEARS AS CHAIRMAN OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE ON LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING.
- A CERTIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTOR WITH TEACHING EXPERIENCE.
- EXPERIENCED MANAGER OF COUNTY MONEY AND MANPOWER WHO REALIZES THAT SOME CAMPAIGN PROMISES TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CURRENT STAFF IS UNREALISTIC WITH THE CURRENT COUNTY BUDGET.
- A LICENSED COUNTY JAILOR FOR 18 YEARS WITH EXPERIENCE IN OPERATING A LITIGATION FREE COUNTY JAIL. FOR OVER 8 YEARS HAS CONSISTENTLY PASSED STATE JAIL INSPECTIONS DURING HIS ADMINISTRATION.
- EXPERIENCED IN TESTIFYING BEFORE AND PREPARING CASES FOR ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT INCLUDING NARCOTICS CASES THAT WERE FILED IN FEDERAL COURT.
- EXPERIENCED IN ACQUIRING GRANT MONIES THAT HELP FUND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT REDUCING STRESS ON THE LOCAL PAYER.
- EXPERIENCED IN PROPERLY UTILIZING NARCOTIC ASSET DOLLARS TO AGAIN SAVING LOCAL TAXPAYER DOLLARS.
- EXPERIENCED IN ACQUIRING THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF SURPLUS RADIOS, BOATS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT NEEDED BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT STAFF AND OUR COMMUNITY AGAIN SAVING TAX DOLLARS.
- EXPERIENCED IN ACQUIRING THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF COMPUTERS, FAX MACHINES AND OTHER NEW EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE THROUGH THE GOVERNORS OFFICE EARMARKED FOR CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. THIS ALSO SAVES US TAX DOLLARS.
- EXPERIENCED ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT WITHOUT PROVIDING THESE VITAL RESOURCES AND EQUIPMENT TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT STAFF, THEY WOULD BE INEFFECTIVE AND UNTRAINED.
- EXPERIENCED ENOUGH TO FIND AVAILABLE MONEY THROUGH THE GOVERNORS OFFICE TO OFFSET THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH TRANSPORTING INMATES FROM GARZA COUNTY TO STATE FACILITIES. THIS HAS SAVED THE TAXPAYER THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.

CITIZENSHIP

- SHERIFF RATKE HAS BEEN A STABLE MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY FOR 15 YEARS.
- SHERIFF RATKE HAS HIS 14 YEAR OLD SON AND 13 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER LIVING IN AND BEING EDUCATED IN GARZA COUNTY.
- HIS FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE ALWAYS SUPPORTED THE LOCAL YOUTH AND WORKED AT IMPROVING THE LIVES OF OUR NEIGHBORS HERE IN GARZA COUNTY.
- SHERIFF RATKE AND HIS FAMILY HAVE BEEN PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN HELPING LOCAL YOUTH AND ADULTS TO SECURE FINANCIAL AID TO FURTHER THEIR EDUCATION.
- SHERIFF RATKE EVEN WHEN HE WAS A DEPUTY BECAME INVOLVED IN OBTAINING THE USE OF LAND AND HELPED BUILD THE LOCAL SOFTBALL PARK LOCATED ON NORTH AVENUE F HERE IN POST. THIS WAS DONE WITH THE INTENTION OF HAVING A PARK LOCATED IN THIS AREA WAS TO HELP MAKE IT CENTRALLY LOCATED FOR GOOD CLEAN FAMILY FUN.
- SHERIFF RATKE HAS DEVELOPED LEADERSHIP SKILLS IN OUR YOUTH BY SERVING AS A CUB SCOUT DEN LEADER AND SCOUTMASTER FOR POST TROOP 316 FOR THE LAST 8 YEARS.
- SHERIFF RATKE HAS BEEN SERVING ON OUR LITTLE LEAGUE ASSOCIATION BOARD AS THE SAFETY OFFICER AS WELL AS COACHING FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. HIS INVOLVEMENT HAS HELPED THE ASSOCIATION ENJOY A 20 % DISCOUNT ON THE LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR POST LITTLE LEAGUE.
- SHERIFF RATKE HAS SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE POST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR NUMBER OF YEARS IN THE PAST.
- SHERIFF RATKE HAS ACTED RESPONSIBLY WITH LOCAL TAX DOLLARS, SEIZURE MONIES AND HAS AN ETHICAL HISTORY THAT IS VERY ADMIRABLE AND HAS NEVER FAILED AN AUDIT OF THESE FUNDS.
- SHERIFF RATKE IS AN HONEST MAN WHO SUPPLEMENTS HIS INCOME BY HARD WORK SUCH AS ROOFING, MOWING LAWNS AND PAINTING HOUSES WITH HIS FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. RAISING A FAMILY IS HARD WORK; LOOK AT HIS!
- SHERIFF RATKE HAS PROVIDED SERVICE PRIOR TO AND DURING HIS TENURE AS YOUR SHERIFF GOING FAR BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY.
- ETHICAL TO THE POINT HE IN THE PAST HAS DRIVEN THE OLDEST CAR IN THE DEPARTMENT OR FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME DROVE HIS PERSONAL VEHICLE TO WORK. BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT HAD A PICKUP, SHERIFF RATKE FURNISHED HIS VEHICLE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS TO DO COUNTY BUSINESS OUT OF TOWN AND THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ONE DROP OF COUNTY FUEL EVER GO INTO HIS VEHICLE!

ISSUES

- THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO THE RECENT CAMPAIGN AD OF RAMON HOLGUIN THAT NEEDED CLARIFICATION
- SHERIFF RATKE PERSONALLY AND IN THE PRESS CHALLENGED RAMON HOLGUIN TO A DEBATE ON THE TECHNICAL ISSUES CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF THAT YOU, THE PEOPLE DESERVE TO HEAR. YOU, THE VOTER WERE DENIED, AS MR. HOLGUIN REFUSED TO DEBATE.
 - THE CITY AND COUNTY ARE WELL TAKEN CARE OF; THE LOW CRIME RATE PROVES THAT! FOUR ADDITIONAL PATROL DEPUTIES AND VEHICLES WOULD COST THE TAXPAYER APPROXIMATELY \$184,000 AND THOUSANDS MORE IN FUEL, MAINTENANCE AND CONTINUING EDUCATION COSTS. AS TAX PAYERS, WOULDN'T THIS BE A WASTE OF CITY AND COUNTY MONEY!
 - SHERIFF RATKE SEES NO IMMEDIATE NEED TO ENLARGE THE CURRENT JAIL STAFF SINCE WE NOW HOLD ONLY A MINIMUM NUMBER OF INMATES AT THE COUNTY JAIL. RATKE KNOWS MORE STAFF AREN'T FREE AND EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT IT'S CHEAPER TO HOUSE THE OVERFLOW OF INMATES IN THE 10 FREE BEDS PROVIDED IN THE COUNTIES CONTRACT AT THE DALBY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY. TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL JAILERS AROUND THE CLOCK WOULD COST THE TAXPAYER MORE THAN \$70,000 ANNUALLY. THIS DOESN'T INCLUDE THE TRAINING OR ANY OTHER ASSOCIATED COSTS. NO JAIL FACILITY IS PERFECT, BUT THE GARZA COUNTY JAIL HAS HAD NO USE OF FORCE OR ANY OTHER TYPE LITIGATION.
 - THE STAFF THAT BRAG OF CERTIFICATION AND SCHOOLING ARE A RESULT OF SHERIFF RATKE, A PRO EDUCATION SHERIFF BEING IN OFFICE!
 - SHERIFF RATKE HAS PERSONALLY FILLED OUT PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVITS TO SEARCH HOMES IN GARZA COUNTY FOR DRUGS; WHAT ABOUT THE OPPOSITION? WORKING THE DRUG INTERDICTION POSITION AT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE WHY HAS MR. HOLGUIN NEVER RUN A SEARCH WARRANT? THIS LACK OF PRODUCTIVITY MAKES SHERIFF RATKE LOOK BAD. IT WAS TIME FOR THAT TO CHANGE.

CAN WE REALLY AFFORD A CHANGE?

TO SUPPORT KENNY ASK FOR A DEMOCRATIC BALLOT
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KENNY

RATKE

SHERIFF